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- 1. FOLLOWING IS JULY 11-15 SUMMARY OF NEWS ARTICLES OF INTEREST.
- 2. A.P. REPORTED JULY 11 THAT NSC IS COORDINATING STUDY OF HOW U.S. CAN HELP MEET BASIC HUMAN NEEDS AROUND WOULD AS COMPLEMENT TO CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN. STUDY, WHICH WILL FOCUS ON PROVIDING SUCH BASIC HUMAN NEEDS AS FOOD, CLEAN WATER, GOOD HEALTH AND EDUCATION FOR SOME OF THE WORLD'S POOREST, IS SEEN BY ADMINISTRATION AS A NATURAL COMPLEMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS EFFORT. IT WILL BE PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT DURING LAST WEEK OF JULY, A.P. SAID.
- 3. COLUMN BY MEG GREENFIELD IN JULY 18 NEWSWEEK, "THE RISKY RHETORIC OF HUMAN RIGHTS," SAYS: "TRAVELING IN ENGLAND AND FRANCE LAST WEEK, I HEARD MOSTLY UPBEAT THINGS ABOUT JIMMY CARTER'S HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN. INTELLECTUALS AND GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL PEOPLE IN BOTH PLACES PROFESSED UNCLASSIFIED

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A KIND OF RELIEF AND REINVOGORATION AS A RESULT OF IT. PLEASURE THAT AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT WAS RECLAIMING THE WEST'SSENSE OF MISSION AND PURPOSE." BUT PRESIDENT'S INTEREST IN HUMAN RIGHTS, GREENFIELD WRITES, "WHILE BENEFICIAL TO THE CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE SHORT RUN. MAY END UP--INEVITABLY AND SIMPLY BY ITS NATURE--POLITICIZING' WHAT SHOULD BE AN APOLITICAL, HUMANITARIAN

EFFORT AND THUS REDUCING HUMAN RIGHTS TO JUST ANOTHER EMPTY SUPERPOWER SLOGAN."

4. RASKIN IN JULY 13 NYTIMES, WRITING ABOUT ILO, SAYS
"THE ISSUE HAS NOT YET REACHED SECRETARY VANCE, BUT MANY
OF HIS AIDES SYMPATHIZE WITH THE ARGUMENT OF WALDHEIM
AND BLANCHARD (ILO DIRECTOR-GENERAL) THAT UNIVERSALITY
IS A KEY TO WORLD PEACE AND THAT ANY BREACH IN UNITED STATES
PARTICIPATION WOULD DAMAGE THE WHOLE FABRIC OF INTERNATIONAL
RELATIONSHIPS. THAT ISSUE MAY TOUCH OFF AS FIERCE A BATTLE
INSIDE THE CABINET AS IT WILL WITH THE AFL-CIO AND THE
CHAMBER, UNITED ON THIS QUESTION."

5. JOHANNESBURG BLACK-ORIENTED PAPER "THE WORLD" JULY 11
EDITORIALIZED: "AFRIKAANS PAPERS CARRY ABUNDANT INDEPTH
ARTICLES ABOUT THE BURGEONING BLACK POLITICAL CONSCIOUSNESS
AND HOW IT SHOULD BE CHANNELED. THIS IS ALL TO THE GOOD,
EVEN IF DECADES TOO LATE. BUT EVERY ONE OF THOSE AFRIKAANS
COMMENTATORS WRITING HUMOURLESSLY ABOUT VARIOUS 'SOLUTIONS'
TO THE COUNTRY'S RACE PROBLEMS WHICH WILL LEAVE THE WHITE
MAN BASICALLY IN CONTROL OF THINGS, SHOULD CONSIDER ONE
IMPORTANT FACT. THIS IS THAT THE MAJORITY OF URBAN BLACKS
WHICH EVEN NOW VASTLY OUTNUMBER THE WHITES -- HAVE NOT
THE SLIGHTEST INTENTION OF BEING BANISHED TO PRACTICE
THEIR RIGHTS IN A FAR-FLUNG RURAL HOTCH-POTCH GIVEN
RESPECTABILITY IN SOME CIRCLES BY BEING LABELED A 'HOMELAND."
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- 6. UPI REPORTED JULY 15 ON WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT OF NOMINATIONS OF ALLARD LOWENSTEIN AND EDWARD MEZVINSKY.
- 7. OTHER ARTICLES OF INTEREST THIS WEEK ARE COVER STORY
 ON MARIFE HERNANDEZ IN WORKING WOMAN MAGAZINE, AND ARTICLE
 IN FINANCIER MAGAZINE JULY ISSUE BY DICK HOTTELET ON
 "TRILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN SEA-BED RESOURCES, AND STILL NO
 LAW FOR THEIR DEVELOPMENT."
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